A M E N D M E N T S t o t h e C L A I M S

1. (ORIGINAL) A method comprising:

establishing a balance of funds for a player;

determining a wager amount required for a game;

determining whether the wager amount required is greater than a predetermined amount; and

displaying a confirmation message if the wager amount is greater than the predetermined amount.

2. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, in which the game comprises a plurality of plays.

3. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, in which the game comprises a flat rate session.

4. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, in which the game comprises a prepaid session.

5. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, in which the wager amount required corresponds to a plurality of plays.

6. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, in which the wager amount required corresponds to a predetermined period of time.

7.   (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 1, in which the confirmation message comprises a confirmation screen.

8.   (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 7, in which the confirmation screen comprises at least one selectable location.

9 – 14.   (CANCELLED)

15.   (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~The method of claim 9,~~
A method comprising:
receiving a request to initiate play of a game at a gaming device;
determining whether to present confirmation information to a player; and
if confirmation information is to be presented to the player:
determining confirmation information to present to the player;
presenting the confirmation information to the player;
receiving a signal indicating that the player confirms the confirmation information;
decrementing a credit balance associated with the player; and
initiating play of the game,
in which determining whether to present confirmation information to the player comprises:
determining a cost to play the game; and
determining whether the cost to play the game is greater than a predetermined cost.

16 – 32.   (CANCELLED)

33.   (NEW) A computer readable medium storing instructions configured to direct a processor to perform a method comprising:

establishing a balance of funds for a player;

determining a wager amount required for a game;

determining whether the wager amount required is greater than a predetermined amount; and

displaying a confirmation message if the wager amount is greater than the predetermined amount.

34.   (NEW) An apparatus comprising:

a processor; and

a computer readable medium in communication with the processor and storing instructions configured to direct the processor to perform a method comprising:

establishing a balance of funds for a player;

determining a wager amount required for a game;

determining whether the wager amount required is greater than a predetermined amount; and

displaying a confirmation message if the wager amount is greater than the predetermined amount.